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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY :
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :
 :
PAUL K. AWA, M.D., : FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
RESPONDENT. :
 : ORDER 0002257

Division of Legal Services and Compliance¹ Case No. 12 MED 132

The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

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Wisconsin Medical Examining Board
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Division of Legal Services and Compliance
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The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Medical Examining Board (Board). The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Finding of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Paul K. Awa, M.D., (dob June 2, 1952), is licensed in the State of Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery, having license number 20-33707, first issued on September 24, 1992 with registration current through October 31, 2013. Dr. Awa's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is P.O. Box 341, Inglis, Florida 34449.

¹ The Division of Legal Services and Compliance was formerly known as the Division of Enforcement.

2. On February 16, 2012, Respondent entered into a Settlement Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Health to resolve an administrative complaint filed against him pertaining to alleged deficiencies in his care of a single Florida patient. Respondent did not admit to having engaged in substandard or unprofessional conduct with respect to the Florida patient, but agreed to the Settlement Agreement to bring the proceeding to a conclusion.

3. On February 16, 2012, the State of Florida Board of Medicine issued a Final Order adopting the Settlement Agreement between Respondent and the State of Florida Department of Health. By agreement of the parties as set forth in the Final Order, Respondent agreed to accept a letter of concern from the Florida Board of Medicine, attend two (2) continuing medical education courses, and pay certain costs.

4. The Board has no evidence that Respondent failed to meet a professional standard or engaged in substandard care of a patient in the State of Wisconsin.

5. Respondent has completed courses in both risk management and record keeping and is in compliance with the Final Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02(3), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Order pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. By the conduct described in the above Findings of Fact, Respondent Paul K. Awa, M.D., violated requirements of Wis. Admin. Code § Med 10.02(2)(q) by having had disciplinary action taken against his Florida license to practice medicine and surgery by the State of Florida Board of Medicine.

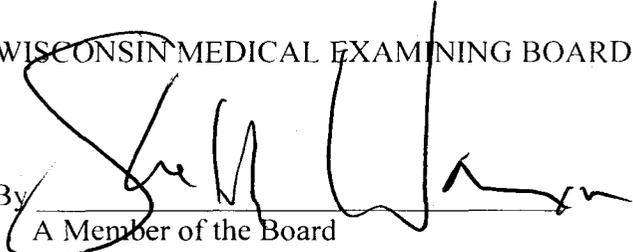
3. As a result of the above conduct, Respondent Paul K. Awa, M.D., is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02(3).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
2. Respondent Paul K. Awa, M.D. is REPRIMANDED.
3. This Order shall become effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

By


A Member of the Board

Date

1/16/13